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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: David M. Giorgi, et al. Examiner: Tod Thomas Van Roy
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Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR DRIVING A PULSED LASER DIODE

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REPLY TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Sir:

This Reply is being submitted in response to the non-final Office action dated January 8, 2008, which set a three month shortened statutory period for response that expired on April 8, 2008. A formal Petition to extend the shorted statutory period by one month, or to May 8, 2008, or as otherwise as necessary to avoid abandonment of the application, is appended, but the Office may consider this statement to be a substitute petition and authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 50-3141 in the event that the formal petition is missing or defective. Remarks begin on page 2. This Reply contains no amendments to the claims, specification or drawings. Admission of the amendment and allowance of the application in view of the remarks herein respectfully are requested.

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